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SR17m Arab map approved

By Farouk Luqman

JEDDAH, Jan. 4 — The ministerial council of the Arab Organization of Mineral Resources approved a proposal here Sunday to prepare the first geological and mineral map of the Arab world.

The map will be the first detailed study of the mineral wealth of the Arab world some of which is still unknown. The council which comprises ministers from 12-member countries, set aside SR17 million for the project. The organization's executive and administrative bodies which will be based in Rabat, Morocco, will collect data about the various mineral resources of the Arab world and supply them to the individual countries which ask for them. They will seek the assistance of foreign experts in preparing and storing them. The organization includes Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, the UAE, Kuwait, Jordan, Mauritania, Somalia, Iraq, Libya, Sudan and the Palestine Liberation Organization.

The Deputy Minister for Petroleum and Mineral Resources Sheikh Ghaz Sultan told Arab news that the "concept" of the organization was to collect detailed geological information, check it properly, store it and provide it to the countries that need it. It will be a well-integrated Arab effort aimed at helping member states learn about their mineral wealth. He cited the proposed map as a good example of such cooperation.

A Mauritanian official said that the Arab world had some commercially exploitable minerals apart from petroleum and phosphates. Preliminary studies have revealed the presence of copper, lead, iron, gold, and uranium. He said uranium was available in Mauritania, Algeria, Saudi Arabia and Libya.

Making the opening speech of the conference, Jordan's Ahmad Tokan said the organization had made many contacts and had already established an administrative agency to handle its work. The number of member states had doubled since its inception three years ago.

"This will enable us to increase our mineral research services to the Arab world," he said, before handing over the chairmanship to Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani who represented the host country.

Reagan visits Mexico today

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (R) — President-elect Ronald Reagan flies to Mexico Monday for a courtesy call on President Jose Lopez Portillo which U.S. officials hope will provide a good personal basis for improving relations. Reagan's brief visit to Juarez, just south of the U.S. border, will be his only trip abroad before his inauguration on Jan. 20.

Informed sources in Mexico City said the two leaders would have little time to discuss major issues straining relations between the United States and its southern neighbor, but that their current fishing dispute was certain to be high on the agenda. Mexico decided last week to terminate two fishing treaties with the United States after months of unproductive talks.

In South China Sea Massive oil reserves found

HONG KONG, Jan. 4 (AFP) — China has discovered massive offshore oil reserves in the north continental shelf of the South China Sea, according to reports reaching here which quoted a Chinese oil official. The reserves may be among the world's largest found through seismic surveys over 320,000 square kilometers of the South China Sea conducted jointly with foreign firms at a cost of more than \$60 million, the reports said.

Data gathered so far revealed there are major oil basins — the Tonkin Bay, Ying-gai, and the Pearl River estuary covering an area of more than 206,000 square kilometers, a report from Canton said. China has signed an agreement with the French Total oil company for exploitation in the northeast of the Tonkin Bay, and the first test well will go into operation soon, the report said, quoting a spokesman for the China National Petroleum Corporation's Nanhai (South China Sea) branch office.



RESOURCES MAP: The Arab Organization of Mineral Resources Sunday approved a SR17 million map to chart mineral resources in the Arab world at a meeting Sunday in Jeddah. Picture above shows Secretary General Ahmed Alawi Muhammad (left) and Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmed Zaki Yamani (right) with Deputy Oil Minister Sheikh Ghazi Sultan at the meeting.



(AP/Wide World)

Minister reminds Reagan

Lebanon is independent

BEIRUT, Jan. 4 (AP) — Lebanon's foreign minister said he expected the incoming administration of U.S. President-elect Ronald Reagan to "regard Lebanon as an independent state and not as a pawn on the chessboard of the Middle East," an English language weekly reported Sunday.

In an interview with *Monday Morning*, Minister Fuad Butros said although the Reagan administration had given no indication of its policies for the Middle East, he hoped it would focus on "the international dimensions of the Lebanese crisis independently of the Middle East crisis."

Afghan crisis dialogue urged

By Shahid Orakzai
Arab News Correspondent

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 4 — Pakistan has approached the U.N. Secretary General Waldheim to initiate a dialogue on the Afghan crisis as envisaged by the latest General Assembly resolution on the subject, Foreign Minister Agha Shahi told a press conference Saturday.

Shahi stated: "I have written to Mr. Waldheim to designate a special representative in order to promote, under the aegis of the secretary general or in the presence of his special representative, a dialogue between representatives of Pakistan and Iran and the People's Democratic Party of Afghanistan with a view to bringing about political solution of the Afghan crisis."

Shahi added that he believed that favorable conditions now existed for the U.N. secretary general to take this step. When asked to elaborate "favorable conditions," Shahi said: "We are now hopefully entering into a new phase of beginning a serious business-like dialogue which would bring about a solution in accordance with the national rights of the people of Afghanistan, and the security concerns of Pakistan and Iran."

The foreign minister, who has just arrived after a visit to China, said that dialogue on Afghanistan would strengthen peace and stability of the region and also "lead to reinvigoration of détente and a dialogue among the super powers. In this way, he added, it would be "a contribution to international peace."

Informed sources said Waldheim or his representative, to be nominated in the near

future, was likely to visit Kabul and convince the Communist rulers for joining the negotiation table at Geneva. The Kabul regime, which insists on direct talks with Islamabad and Tehran has tactfully kept the door open for mediation by the U.N. secretary general. The regime's representative told the Geo. Assembly that it would welcome the U.N. emissary but "in his private capacity."

The Soviet backed government had not earlier responded to a call for negotiations under the Organization of Islamic Conference which set up a three-member special committee.

Observers believed the latest initiative by Pakistan was an attempt to monitor any rethinking at Kabul so that the Organization of the Islamic Conference could be taken in confidence during the coming summit. Pakistan is firmly committed to OIC resolutions and Shahi recently stated that Islamabad would recognize the government at Kabul only after Soviet troops withdraw from that country.



Agha Shahi

Several West Bank figures were on hand to greet the 50-year-old Shaka, whose foreign travels have made him, observers say, the top Palestinian politician in the Israeli-occupied territory.

Loudspeakers blared welcoming speeches and the Palestinian flag banned by Israeli authorities, was flown defiantly from nearby buildings. Bob Shaka's legs were amputated after he was seriously injured last June 2 by a bomb placed in his car. He was treated abroad, notably in Jordan, and fitted for prosthetic devices by doctors in London.

Even before Shaka returned home, he had won a place of honor in the Arab world. Syria gave him its highest national decoration and he was received several times by President Hafez Assad, Jordan's King Hussein and Palestine Liberation Organization chief Yasser Arafat.

In addition to Shaka, Karim Khalaf, mayor of the West Bank town of Ramallah, was also wounded by a bomb explosion and lost a foot. A third West Bank mayor narrowly escaped a similar attack. Moshe Dayan, former Israeli foreign minister, blamed the incidents on Jewish extremists.

Britons want PLO excluded from M.E. talks

TEL AVIV, Jan. 4 (AP) — A delegation of leading legislators from Britain's ruling Conservative Party arrived here Sunday to meet government officials and express concern over calls for the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) to take part in Middle East peace talks.

"Most of us feel the PLO is an organization with a terrorist background and should not be involved in any talks," said European parliament member Brian Hurd.

The delegation is also scheduled to meet former Israeli Foreign Minister Abba Eban and visit the Israeli-occupied West Bank of Jordan. The mission follows last summer's Venice summit declaration by Western leaders, including British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, that the PLO should assist in peace talks.

The delegation of five European parliament members and four members of the British parliament is led by former lawmaker Michael Fidler.

Another of the European MPs, John Marshall, said: "We're very concerned about the Venice declaration and want to assure the people we meet that Israel has very many real friends in Western Europe."

China warns

Pakistan now Soviet target

PEKING, Jan. 4 (Agencies) — China Sunday issued a new warning against Soviet "designs" on Pakistan. The official Communist Party newspaper *the People's Daily* stressed that a Soviet rumor campaign about Sino-Pakistani "military collusion" was a "danger signal" that Pakistan was from now on the next objective of a Soviet "southward thrust." Rumors started by the Kremlin recently about a Chinese military presence in Pakistan were intended to "poison India's relations with both China and Pakistan" by giving credence to the idea that Sino-Pakistani "collusion" threatened "India's security and jeopardizes peace and stability" in southern Asia, the *People's Daily* commented.

The paper also said it was regrettable that "certain people chose to join in Moscow's lying and slandering campaign instead of criticizing Soviet occupation" of Afghanistan. The *People's Daily* complained that Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev "tried his utmost to estrange" India and Pakistan by publicly exerting pressure on Pakistan during his recent trip to India.

"This is a danger signal that cannot fail to put people on the alert," it added.

The Soviet Union not only has massed troops near the Afghan-Pakistani frontier, it said, but also has incited secessionist elements within Pakistan to create trouble.

The newspaper denounced reports from the Kremlin that China itself was taking "the first step on a dangerous path" by establishing military presence in the Indian Ocean.

The paper denied Soviet reports that Chinese troops were engaged in military maneuvers or intelligence operations in Pakistan. It also denied Soviet reports that Chinese submarines frequently cruise the Indian Ocean and that China is trying to turn the Pakistani port of Karachi into a permanent naval base.

In another development NATO supreme commander in Europe Sunday warned that NATO faces an adverse balance of forces with the Soviet Union and the gap is getting wider.

Gen. Bernard Rogers said in an interview that "if present trends continue, I'm afraid that the gap will become so great that the West cannot recover." Gen. Rogers said in the January edition of *Readers Digest*. "The West will face political intimidation resulting from Russian military power." He said the first half of the 1980s "may well be the most critical period that the West will face for many decades to come" because NATO would not have necessary new weapons systems in sufficient quantities until 1985 or 1986.

He said that NATO's nuclear strength had also been eroded, but that its strategy of flexible response to any attack was the biggest deterrent to war because "the Soviets" can never be certain when we might switch from conventional weapons to nuclear weapons."

The general told the magazine that the Soviet Union was far ahead of NATO in developing chemical warfare. The West's retaliatory capacity was obsolete and the United States should start producing modern chemical munitions at once. He also said the U.S. should produce the cancelled neutron bomb.

Asked if he received adequate intelligence, Gen. Rogers said: "I get from the other members of the alliance only such intelligence as they wish to provide. I never know what they are holding back." He wanted to organize integrated multi-national intelligence. He favored Spanish membership of NATO but he did not think further expansion

of the alliance was desirable. In Peking, visiting United States Republican Senator Theodore Stevens said Sunday that America might one day supply China with offensive arms. "I certainly don't rule it out in terms of the apparent aggressiveness of the Soviet Union" the senator said in reply to questions from journalists.

The United States' military supplies to China are currently restricted to non-offensive material. Senator Stevens, who will be deputy leader of the incoming Republican majority in the Senate and also chairman of the Defense Appropriations Sub-committee, said he was firmly in support of expanding and continuing friendly relations between the U.S. and China.

\$222m firm to market UAE oil products

SHARJAH, Jan. 4 (AP) — Work crews on Sunday began painting the national falcon symbol over foreign oil company signs at gasoline stations in the Gulf states that make up the United Arab Emirates. The action heralded the creation of the Emirates General Petroleum Corp., founded with \$222 million in capital. The new company will be responsible for marketing refined petroleum products such as gasoline for private cars.

Sources said that beginning Sunday, about 150 British Petroleum (BP), Shell and Caltex service stations are to be gradually taken over. But supplies will continue to be brought from multinational oil companies.

At present, the United Arab Emirates' refining capacity is only 15,000 barrels a day although domestic demand is already approaching 100,000 barrels daily in the country of one million inhabitants. A 240,000 barrel a day refining plant is expected to be operating at half capacity this year in Ruwais, where an industrial city is being built.

Until now, however, the consumers have been unshielded from price increases set by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), of which the UAE is a member, because of the UAE's reliance on imports. Foreign oil companies attempted 18 months ago to hike their retail prices to \$1.40 a barrel but the move triggered demonstrations here against the Western firms in some of the seven emirates.

The government was forced to roll back the price to just under \$1 per gallon and increase its subsidies, which in 1980 cost the government \$434 million. Part of the subsidies went directly to the foreign oil firms.

Buffalo derails train

From Arab News Correspondent

BANGKOK, Jan. 4 — A 20-carriage train was derailed and services to south Thailand interrupted for many hours because a buffalo on the track refused to move away. The engine-driver made a frantic effort to save his life and braked, but could do precious little as the cargo train was fully loaded and could not be stopped outside.

All carriages were derailed, the buffalo was killed and services on the line to the south of Thailand were interrupted for some six hours. Thai railway authorities estimated the damages run to over several thousands of dollars.

Iraqi report counts war losses

BEIRUT, Jan. 4 (R) — Iraq claimed Sunday to have killed more than 8,000 Iranian soldiers and to have shot down 558 Iranian aircraft since the Gulf war broke out four months ago. The statistics reported by the official Iraqi News Agency included the destruction of 147 Iranian naval vessels and more than 1,000 tanks and armored vehicles.

Other Iranian losses were given as 449 guns, 155 rocket launchers, 44 radar stations and 70 oil installations. The agency said the figures were based on high command communications and defense ministry statements since the war was considered to have started on Sept. 4 Iraqi losses were not disclosed.

Gamasi, ex-war minister, in hospital

CAIRO, Jan. 4 (Agencies) — Retired Egyptian Gen. Abdul Ghani Gamasi, former war minister and chief of the general staff who led the peace negotiations with Israel, has been hospitalized here after a brain haemorrhage.

A spokesman at Cairo's Ma'adi Military Hospital said his condition Sunday was critical. He is in the intensive care unit.

Gen. Gamasi, who has been off the active list since 1978, was the first Egyptian to enter into direct peace negotiations with Israel after the October 1973 war, at Kilometers 101 on the Cairo-Suez highway. Informed sources said he would probably be flown to London or Paris for further treatment.



Abdul Ghani Gamasi

UAE population up 86% in five years

ABU DHABI, Jan. 4 (R) — The Population of the United Arab Emirates (UAE) jumped 86.5 per cent in five years to just over one million last year, Planning Minister Said Gboshah told a press conference Sunday,

according to the official Emirates News Agency (WAM). The rise reflects the influx of foreign workers after the oil boom of the 1970s.



Historical documents considered

Seminar focuses on microfilm storage

RIYADH, Jan. 4 (SPA) — A four-day seminar on microfilm use was opened here Sunday evening by Dr. Muhammad Al-Tawil, director general of the Public Administration Institute which sponsors the seminar.

The present state of historical documents and archives in Saudi Arabia will be assessed during the seminar and delegates will highlight the importance and convenience of keeping these records on microfilms rather than stockpiling paper that ultimately will be damaged by dust and other elements. The relationship between microfilms and computers for data storing particularly will be highlighted since microfilm saves space and time.

Another item to be discussed is document classification. A paper by Dr. Sayed Hassab Allah, assistant professor at the Public Administration Institute, on the actual condition of the Kingdom's archives was examined during the first session. The report dealt with the records of the Central Archives Department, King Abdul Aziz Library, the Council of Ministers, the Foreign

Ministry and the Ministry of Finance and National Economy.

Another seminar on girls education was opened in Riyadh Sunday by Sheikh Rashed ibn Saleh Khanin, chancellor of Girls Education. It is attended by directors of girls education in the various regions of Saudi Arabia.

In his opening address, Sheikh Rashed dwelt on the major responsibility resting on the shoulders of the directors by bringing up future mothers and promoting their education within the confines of the Sharia (Koranic Law) and in line with the general policy drawn up in this respect by the government. He added that when the principle of educating women was approved in Saudi Arabia, it was on the assumption that decency and religion will be observed strictly, and that no mixed schools will be allowed, because mixing boys and girls "is a direct way to corruption."

Meanwhile, in Jeddah, Dr. Abdullah Zaid, director general of education for the Western Province, held a meeting here Sunday evening with a team of advisers on educational guidance from Jeddah, Taif and Mecca to

prepare a new plan for educational guidance to be implemented this year. Talks dealt with the team's inspection tour of various schools, subjects which attract the attention of students at various educational levels, and the necessity to redouble efforts in the educational fields.

In a separate development, the first 10-day training course for boy scouts leaders opened at Hafu-al-Baten under the supervision of the Western Province's Education Department. More than 40 boy scouts from the area's various schools and of diverse educational standards will be trained.

Kingdom donates \$35m

Islamic university opens

ISLAMABAD, Jan. 4 (SPA) — A university in which Saudi Arabia contributed \$35 million was dedicated here Sunday. Addressing a ceremony on the occasion at King Faisal Mosque Compound, the university rector Syed Brohi commended Saudi Arabia for its assistance and for the numerous services it constantly renders to Islam and Muslims everywhere. A large number of Ulema and religious and political personalities attended the inauguration.

Brohi said that very symbolic was the fact that the new university is housed at a mosque which bears the name of King Faisal, an outstanding leader of Islamic solidarity and unity. He also thanked King Abdul Aziz University of Jeddah for its valuable cooperation which led to the materialization of the new university. The institutes of the new university — the Islamic Sharia Institute and the Islamic Research Institute — opened their doors to 20 students Sunday will be studying

for their masters' degrees. Two teachers were loaned by King Abdul Aziz University and will soon be joined by four others. The Saudi university also provides books and other educational requirements.

Meanwhile, the Board of Dammam Girls' College has completed furnishing the lecture hall and central library of the Faculty of Arts at a cost of SR1 million, officials said Sunday. Dr. Muhammad ibn Ali Al-Harfi, Eastern Province girls' colleges director general, said these new buildings, built from latest designs by a specialist company and completed recently, will be handed over to the directorate shortly.

Dr. Harfi said that a contract for building a closed circuit television network was awarded Sunday to a national company. The SR800,000 contract calls for installing the network at the Faculty of Science within three months.

In another development, the Ministry of Health announced Sunday that the first examination for the Arab Board of Maternity and Gynecology Membership will be held in Damascus during the first week in April.

The statement said that doctors qualified to enter the examination should have spent at least two years after graduation from a medicine college recognized by one of the member states in the board. Examination applications could be obtained from Gynecology and Maternity department of King Abdul Aziz University of Jeddah.



GREETING: Deputy Interior Minister Prince Ahmad bin Abdul Aziz (left) greets Morocco Interior Minister Idris Al-Basri upon his arrival.

Moroccan minister honored

JEDDAH, Jan. 4 (SPA) — Deputy Interior Minister Prince Ahmad bin Abdul Aziz gave a dinner at Al-Ferouseya Club here in honor of Idris Al-Basri, Moroccan Interior Minister and, his delegation. The Sunday dinner was attended by Deputy Riyadh Governor Prince Satam and a number of senior officials and high-ranking military personnel. Basri arrived Friday.

Two other Moroccan officials — Ahmad Gazzaz, the head of the Court of Appeal of Wajda, and Ahmad Al-

Masmoudi, King Hassan II's representative to Bani Melal's Court of Appeal arrived here for a similar visit last week at the invitation of Imam Muhammad bin Saud Islamic University. They visited the Grand Sharia Court Sunday. The officials also conferred with Sheikh Abdul Aziz bin Ibrahim Al-Issa, head of the Sharia courts, and visited the courts of Mecca and Medina as well as the Islamic University of Medina. They also delivered two lectures at the Higher Magistrates Institutes in Riyadh.

Majed calls summit crucial

JEDDAH, Jan. 4 (SPA) — Mecca Governor Prince Majed said Sunday that the forthcoming Islamic Summit conference will be crucial and decisive for many of the Islamic World's problems.

In an interview with Okaz, Prince Majed said the conference's importance comes from the fact that it is being held at the most crucial time for the Islamic community. The community is facing grave challenges, threats and pressure. The conference needs radical changes in the opinions of the Islamic states, the governor said.

"If we do not agree here, in the holy places, at this particular time, then we will not agree forever," Prince Majed was quoted as saying.



Prince Majed

Prayer Times

Monday	Mecca	Medina	Nejd
Fajr	5:35	5:42	5:13
Shraq	7:00	7:07	6:38
Dhuhr	12:26	12:27	11:58
Asr	3:32	3:28	2:59
Maghreb	5:54	5:49	5:19
Isha	7:24	7:19	6:49

Output exceeds plan

DAMMAM, Jan. 4 (SPA) — Actual production of urea by the Saudi Arabian Fertilizers Company (SAFCO) for the year 1980 has exceeded the planned figure for that year by more than six per cent, according to a statement issued by SAFCO Sunday.

The statement said production during the past year reached 330,000 metric tons of urea compared to the planned production of 285,000 metric tons for the same year. The excess amounted to 55,060 metric tons, the statement added.

SAFCO's statement dealt with the company's production capacity from 1970 to 1980, and pointed out that SAFCO had been exceeding its production schedule since 1978.

Ahsa welfare assistance totals SR487,000

AHSA, Jan. 4 (SPA) — The Welfare Society of this region has given pensions and various types of assistance totaling SR487,000 during the past three months to 2,145 families in Ahsa and nearby villages. Also,

the society's board of trustees will open a clinic this year on Hofuf where the needy could receive medical treatment at symbolic prices, officials announced Sunday.

COMMENT

By Nasr Al-Qatari
Al-Bilad

Many-faceted developments have been taking place in this period of great resurgence in the Kingdom. Enormous efforts and funds have been used to achieve people's welfare which has been the prime concern of the state machinery. Observing this stupendous renaissance, it seems only reasonable that the role of the citizen and the supervision authorities should be to help the state in the realization of its desired objectives. It is, however, no secret that the responsibility does not only rest on the official but also on the citizen who ought to consider himself responsible for the safeguard of funds the state has allocated for his welfare.

On the other hand, the role of the official should not only be confined to supervision and maintenance but must expand to include enlightenment and scrutiny to which he has access by virtue of his leading position and responsibility.

A teacher, being responsible for education, must necessarily see the need for disciplining the student and orienting him to play a tangible role toward himself and the society in which he lives.

In order to achieve this objective, concerted efforts must be made with full cooperation from all circles, so that every individual plays an effective role in the society and remains as much anxious for his obligations as for his rights, which in most cases he enjoys without having to make a demand for them.

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Over teachers' pay hikes

Israeli cabinet meets in crisis atmosphere

TEL AVIV, Jan. 4 (AP) — Prime Minister Menachem Begin convened his cabinet in a crisis atmosphere Sunday after last-minute efforts failed to resolve a split in the ruling coalition over pay raises for teachers.

Finance Minister Yigal Hurvitz has threatened to resign if the cabinet cannot reach a compromise. If the cabinet cannot find a solution, Begin will face his greatest political challenge since taking office three years ago.

Haim Corfu, the coalition whip in the Knesset (parliament), said after meeting Begin early Sunday that the prime minister would not volunteer his resignation even if Hurvitz or Hammer quit.

The teachers demand that the government

accept an arbitration report by Supreme Court Justice Moshe Etzioni that recommends reforms in wage scales, pensions and working conditions. Hurvitz has claimed the pay raises would trigger chain reaction of labor unrest and dramatically boost inflation, which was the world's highest in 1980 at 135 per cent.

Two newspapers called for the government's resignation. *Haaretz* said, "This government is not capable of solving any of the problems it faces. Deadlock and helplessness await its every move."

Haaretz said the Knesset should vote the government out of office, since "The people have lost confidence in it."

The English-language *Jerusalem Post* urged "fence-sitting Knesset members to muster their concern for the national interest and join in a vote to disperse the Knesset and order new elections."



AFGHAN PROTEST: Afghan demonstrators in New Delhi burn a poster of Soviet President Leonid Brezhnev last week on the first anniversary of the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan. The lettering on the poster, one of many which decorated the city during Brezhnev's recent visit to India, says the Soviet leader is a "symbol of peace and friendship."

Afghan fighters get Egypt's missiles

CAIRO, Jan. 4 (AP) — A group of visiting Afghan freedom fighters have been given a number of anti-tank missiles and hand grenades as a gift at the end of a visit to an Egyptian military factory, Cairo press reports said.

The reports gave no further details beyond saying that the group expressed gratitude for Egypt's supporting role. Egypt is providing Afghan freedom fighters who are opposing the Soviet-backed regime of Babrak Karmal with military, food, financial and other assistance.

Schmidt to visit Morocco for talks

RABAT, Jan. 4 (AFP) — West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt is due in Marrakesh Tuesday for an official visit of less than 24 hours during which he will meet with King Hassan II and Moroccan Premier Maati Bouabid.

Schmidt will have dinner and talks with the King. A working session with the premier is

Tigre fighters kill '90 Ethiopians'

KHARTOUM, Jan. 4 (Agencies) — A commando group fighting in the Tigre area of Ethiopia said Saturday it had ambushed an Ethiopian unit and killed or wounded 90 soldiers and captured 35 others in battle Thursday.

The External Relations Office of the Popular Front of the Liberation of Tigre said in a statement that its troops "attacked and defeated the forces of the Ethiopian central government in the region of Wolkait in western

Libyans seize embassy in Sweden

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 4 (R) — The Libyan embassy here was peacefully occupied Saturday night by Libyans setting up a "people's embassy," an embassy spokesman said Sunday.

The report was frontpaged by Cairo's three government-run newspapers. One of them the mass-circulation *Al-Akhar* also frontpaged an appeal by the Grand Sheikh of Al Azhar Mosque calling on employees of the 10-century-old Islamic institution to contribute to a fund-raising campaign launched by President Anwar Sadat last month.

Sadat, in opening national campaign last month, deposited approximately \$1.4 million in the fund and called on Egyptians "to do what they can" to aid the Afghan fighters.

The group, consisting of university professors from Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, Indiana, Virginia, Arkansas, Georgia, Michigan and Illinois, arrived in time for the 16th anniversary celebrations of Fatah, the PLO's main commando group.

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Visiting Libya

Goukouni seeks continued aid

TRIPOLI, Jan. 4 (Agencies) — The people of Chad and Libya will fight side-by-side if they are forced to, Chadian President Goukouni Oueddei has pledged.

Goukouni, who arrived in Tripoli Friday night on his first trip abroad since his Libyan-backed forces defeated rebel Defense Minister Hissen Habre's troops in the civil war in mid-December, was speaking at the opening session of a "General Congress of the Libyan people."

He warned that any country which gave refuge to "the criminal Habre" would be considered hostile and might have to "suffer the consequences of such an act."

Col. Muammar Qaddafi Saturday met Goukouni. Abdul Salam Jalloud, a member of Libya's general secretariat and former prime minister, also attended the meeting, Jana reported.

The Chadian people would give "the inter-

national criminal Habre the punishment he deserves for his crimes, particularly those of the past nine months" of civil war Goukouni said.

He told the congress that during the war against Habre's armed forces "mercenaries were arrested, and arms seized, originating from Egypt and Sudan and the Israeli enemy."

Goukouni thanked Libya for helping him win the war, the official Libyan News Agency Jana reported Saturday.

"After the victory of the revolution and the defeat of Habre, the appeal to the Libyan people, to maintain the aid and support to the people of Chad so we may develop and reconstruct our country," Jana quoted Goukouni as saying.

U.S. and foreign intelligence reports indicate that Libya sent Goukouni at least 3,000 troops during the fight.

Visit camps in S. Lebanon

U.S. professors meet Arafat

BEIRUT, Jan. 4 (AP) — Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat held a two-hour meeting with a visiting delegation of 26 U.S. university professors, the head of the group said Sunday.

Philip Rivera of Springfield, Ill. said the group was on a fact-finding mission and will prepare a report for a United Nations conference in New York.

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Rivera said Arafat warned the PLO could use "well educated Palestinians who hold important positions in Arab countries and sensitive positions in places like Iran against the United States," adding the only other way to influence public opinion in the United States would be to take "drastic measures" such as the 1973 oil embargo.

Rivera added the PLO said it had stopped all commando activities outside Israeli territory and that any commando group that did not respect the decision would be "punished." He quoted him as saying the PLO was not a radical group. There were no "radicals in the PLO, which is simply a democratic movement."

The visiting delegation, scheduled to visit the West Bank of Jordan next week, visited Palestinian camps in southern Lebanon Saturday and was caught in a crossfire of artillery near the southern Lebanese coastal city of Tyre between Palestinian commandos and Israeli-backed Christian militias. Rivera said the professors had to rush to shelters.

Libya, Tunisia set for fresh start in ties

TUNIS, Jan. 4 (AFP) — A recent call by Tunisian Premier Muhammad Mzali for Tunis and Tripoli to smooth over their troubled relations has been warmly received by an official Libyan radio commentator, the Tunisian News Agency TAP reported here.

"Tunisian-Libyan relations will witness an important and fruitful evolution in the days to come," the Libyan radio commentator said, according to TAP.

Mzali, speaking to parliament early last week, said Tunisia wanted to "forget its misunderstandings" with Libya, and he repeated an invitation for Libyan Foreign Minister Abdulsalam Triki to visit Tunisia.

"This initiative of the Tunisian premier," TAP quoted Libyan radio as saying, "is of a nature to move the Libyans to open a new page in the relations between the two countries."



Muhammad Mzali

The Libyan commentator added that the people of his country would examine the Tunisian initiative "with consideration and interest," TAP said.

Relations between the two countries have been particularly poor since Tunisia accused the Libyan government of masterminding a raid last January that left more than 40 persons dead in the Tunisian mining town of Gafsa.

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Mrs. Gandhi says

India wants closer ties with Pakistan

NEW DELHI, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi wants a greater understanding between India and Pakistan to counter what she termed increasing interference by big powers in the region.

"We will continue to work for friendship (with Pakistan) because we feel it is essential for the strengthening of the entire region," she said in an interview published here. She added: "with interference by foreign powers increasing in the Indian Ocean and in this region, it is much more important that we two neighbors stand together rather than get embroiled in their matters."

Mrs. Gandhi's call comes three days after the Pakistani ambassador here was quoted as saying that Pakistani President Zia Ul-Haq might be willing to come to India to sign a "no war" pact with New Delhi. "A summit between our president and the Indian Prime Minister would be a good idea", ambassador Abdul Sattar was reported in the Indian press as saying.

Mrs. Gandhi commented in her interview — given to the *Times of India* exactly one year

after she returned to power — that Indian-Pakistan relations had not improved in recent years and that much remained to be done. "Pakistan has had a tilt in one direction and it has never given it up," she said. "The press kept on saying that the relations had improved...the Pakistani government kept on saying so — but what happened in reality?"

Commenting on the prospect of improving Sino-Indian relations, Mrs. Gandhi said: "it is high time that Asia should get together." "China is obsessed with the animosity against the Soviet Union as the Soviet Union is similarly obsessed in relation to China... We are no more pro-Soviet than we are pro-anybody. "But anyone who helps us in our hour of need, surely we cannot ignore that helps or denigrate them?" she argued in a reference to criticism that close Indo-Soviet relations stood in the way of improving China-India relations.

"We are doing our best (for improving Sino-Indian relations). We have sent a good ambassador... And without being chauvinistic I would say that it is high time Asia got together," she said.



GORILLA BIRTHDAY: Moses, the oldest gorilla in captivity, peels a banana that topped his birthday cake as he celebrated his fiftieth birthday in the Philadelphia Zoo Dec. 30. His cake consisted of a double ration of his daily diet of zoo cake decorated with sliced fruits, carrots, bananas, gum drops and candy canes.

Press behavior irks Queen

LONDON, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Britain's Queen Elizabeth was "very disturbed" by the behavior of the press during her recent year-end vacation at the royal residence of Sandringham on England's east coast, a Buckingham Palace spokesman has said.

Whereas traditionally the press stays away from the royal family during the year-end holidays, this year great numbers of newspapermen and photographers hung around Sandringham in connection with rumors about an imminent announcement of the engagement of Prince Charles to Lady Diana Spencer.

But after the heir to the British throne remained invisible and "Lady D", as his alleged bride-to-be is being referred to, failed to show up, the press concentrated on following around the Queen and her three-year-old grandson, Peter, the son of Princess Anne.

On two occasions, the queen actually told reporters, "I wish you would go away." The queen's press secretary, Michael Shea, who had pleaded with Fleet Street managing editors for the royal family's privacy to be respected over the holiday, said, "I shall now have to see what other steps can be taken."

"There are legitimate areas of press interest," Shea added, but "the queen has no official engagements at Sandringham and she is there to have a quiet holiday. A line has to be drawn somewhere."

Observers noted that the habitually good relations between the royal family and the press have deteriorated sharply since the publication in the mass-circulation *Daily Mirror* two months ago of a sensational story about the secret rendezvous between Prince Charles and lady Diana.

Watergate echo

Carter's aide raises issue of 'White House privileges'

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (R) — Echoing the disputes of the Watergate era, the White House has sparred publicly with Congress over access to confidential documents.

Zbigniew Brzezinski, National Security Adviser to outgoing President Jimmy Carter, raised the issue Saturday of "executive privilege" and told congressional investigators they had to be more specific in their inquiries about the past of Alexander Haig, the soldier-administrator chosen by President-elect Ronald Reagan as his secretary of state. But he strongly denied that he was not cooperating with Democratic Party senators seeking information about the past of Haig.

The Senate will hold hearings this month on whether to approve the appointment to head the State Department. Haig, an army general who rose to prominence as a White House aide during the Watergate scandal which drove President Nixon from office in 1974. "Executive privilege" — the argument that presidents have the right to refuse disclosure-orders from courts and Congress that would bind other citizens — played a key

role in congressional investigation of the burglary of Democratic Party headquarters in Washington's Watergate building.

Brzezinski was commenting on a *Washington Post* report that he had "turned aside" a request by Senator Claiborne Pell, a Democrat, of the Foreign Relations Committee, for help in obtaining the information. Brzezinski interviewed on television, termed the *Post* report "tendentious." He said the article aimed to make the hearings a "witch hunt."

Brzezinski said: "if he (senator Pell) can indicate what specific documents he wants and if they are in our jurisdiction, and if we determine that it is correct to make them available we certainly will do so." Brzezinski, in a letter made public Saturday by the White House, responded to senator Pell's request by asking him to specify which documents the committee Democrats wanted.

The letter said: "I am advised that congressional demands or requests to examine National Security Council files are, like other White House files, subject to a claim of governmental privilege."

Bidders for Times named

LONDON, Jan. 4 (AP) — Six firm bids have been made to buy *The Times* of London or one or more of its sister publications, it was reported Sunday.

All six bids, according to the *Observer* newspaper, were submitted prior to the new year's eve deadline set by Thomson British Holdings, owners of newspaper, for tentative purchasers.

Four of the bidders have been named for the first time as interested parties. These, according to *The Observer*, are Lonhro, the multi-national mining and manufacturing company, Australian press magnate Rupert Murdoch, businessman and financier Sir James Goldsmith and the *Economist* magazine.

The other two bidders named by *The Observer* made themselves known before the

Dec. 31 deadline: A consortium of *Times* journalists and their financial backers, and Robert Maxwell, owner of the Pergamon Press Printing group.

The *Observer* said Lonhro had made a "substantial" cash offer for all five titles up for sale and that the company had nominated director Edward Duncan to undertake negotiations. The paper said Murdoch who already publishes two papers in Britain — the *Sun* and the *News Of The World* — is believed to be principally interested in buying *The Sunday Times*.

The Times, *Sunday Times* and three literary and educational supplements were put up for sale on Oct. 22 after struggling with heavy financial losses and continuing union troubles. The owners said the papers would cease publication in mid-March this year if a buyer was not found.

Device for better teeth perfected

COLUMBUS, Jan. 4 (AP) — Researchers say they have nearly perfected a technique for implanting ceramic roots into the jawbones of human patients to serve as foundations for false teeth. "We shape a socket-like area into the jawbone into which the implant fits tightly," said Dr. Robert Downes, a dental professor at Ohio State University. "Bone will grow around the implant because of its design and, once it becomes immobile, we can put a core into the implant, giving us a tooth form onto which we can put a crown."

The project, by Ohio State and Bartelle Memorial Research Institute, has a 75 per cent success rate so far on 31 patients taking part in the study, he said. The technique has been tested for five years on baboons, researchers said, with a success rate of 95 per cent. So far implants have been tried only in the lower rear jaw, but researchers plan to try the procedure in other areas of the mouth. A drawback to the procedure is the time required. In most patients, researchers say, about six months is needed for the implanted roots to become secure. Some patients require as much as 10 months.

Stop aid to Mobutu, panel asks Belgium

BRUSSELS, Jan. 4 (AP) — Belgian-based opponents to the one-party regime of Zairian President Mobutu Sese Seko have asked Belgium to stop all aid to Zaire. Their request follows reports from the former Belgian colony that 13 members of Zaire's parliament have been charged with "subversive activities" against the Mobutu government.

The official Zairian News Agency Azap

reported Friday from the Zaire capital of Kinshasa that the 13 legislators will face prosecution for having signed a tract that called for the overthrow of the Mobutu regime. Azap did not elaborate on the tract's contents but said the document was found in the home of one of the legislators, Ngala Mpenda who was subsequently arrested last Tuesday.

The following day, Azap said, five other parliamentarians who had signed the document surrendered to authorities apparently out of solidarity with Ngala. Mobutu then asked parliament to lift the parliamentary immunity of the five who were placed under house arrest.

The five will be tried before the "court of state security." Azap said while the other eight will have to appear before a disciplinary committee of the People's Revolution Movement, Zaire's only lawful political party headed by Mobutu.

Among the 13 lawmakers are several from the Kasai province where, according to the International Federation of the Rights of Man, a human rights group, Zairian troops killed up to 215 persons in July of 1979.

The Zaire committee, a Brussels-based group of Mobutu opponents that includes both Zairians-in-exile and Belgians, said the Kasai legislators gave the information about the alleged massacre.

\$240m U.K. aid to Poland likely

LONDON, Jan. 4 (AFP) — The British government is preparing to approve a financial aid package for Poland totaling about \$240 million, according to the conservative British newspaper the *Sunday Express*.

The weekly, which gave no source, said the contribution probably would fall in the framework of the Western economic assistance program in which the European Economic Community nations and the United States are taking part. The *Sunday Express* said the aid program would be aimed primarily at shoring up the ailing Polish economy, thereby removing a possible pretext for a Soviet military intervention.

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In rough match Uruguay downs Italy to qualify for final

MONTEVIDEO, Jan. 4 (R) — Uruguay reached the final of the Gold Cup Soccer tournament by beating Italy 2-0 in a bad-tempered game in which three players were sent off Saturday night.

Julio Morales scored Uruguay's first goal from the penalty spot in the 66th minute after Victorino Ramos was brought down. Walter Zenga scored the second 15 minutes later, prodding the ball home from close range.

Uruguay have now beaten both their rivals in Group 'A' and now meet the winners of Group 'B' in the final next Saturday.

Uruguayan back Jose Moreira and Italy's forward Antonio Cabrini were sent off after 70 minutes for fighting and Marco Tardelli (Italy) was given the marching orders just before the end for a tackle on Ruben Paz. The game was laced with fouls and injuries and several players were booked.

The goalless first half was tight with neither side giving the other room to build. Apart from set kicks, most attacks consisted of high-speed dashes from the edge of one goal area to the other.

Neither goal was in real danger. Italy several times created threatening moves but the final touch was always weak. The clear chance was a header from an unattended Francesco Graziani but the attempt was weak and easily gathered by goalkeeper and Uruguayan captain Rodolfo Rodriguez.

The first 45 minutes saw little 20-year-old Uruguayan Ruben Paz's exciting skills. Italian defender Marco Tardelli followed him around like a hired bodyguard, usually backed up by a second defender.

From a corner, the agile Morales was moving goalwards when he was downed. Despite an 11-man Italian protest, referee Emilio Gruceta of Spain pointed firmly to the spot and Morales sent the ball low down to the right of goalkeeper Ivano Bordon to break the deadlock.

The match, rough even up to then, tilted firmly Uruguay's way. Ramos and Victorino combined well and overwhelmed the Italians with sheer enthusiasm roared on by 70,000 spectators.

The match was disrupted after 70 minutes when fighting, which had been threatening to break out on several occasions, finally did, and Moreira and Cabrini were sent off.

Italy's best period followed and the frequent attacks brought diving saves from Rodriguez. But the night belonged to the young host side and the speed of their flying forwards.

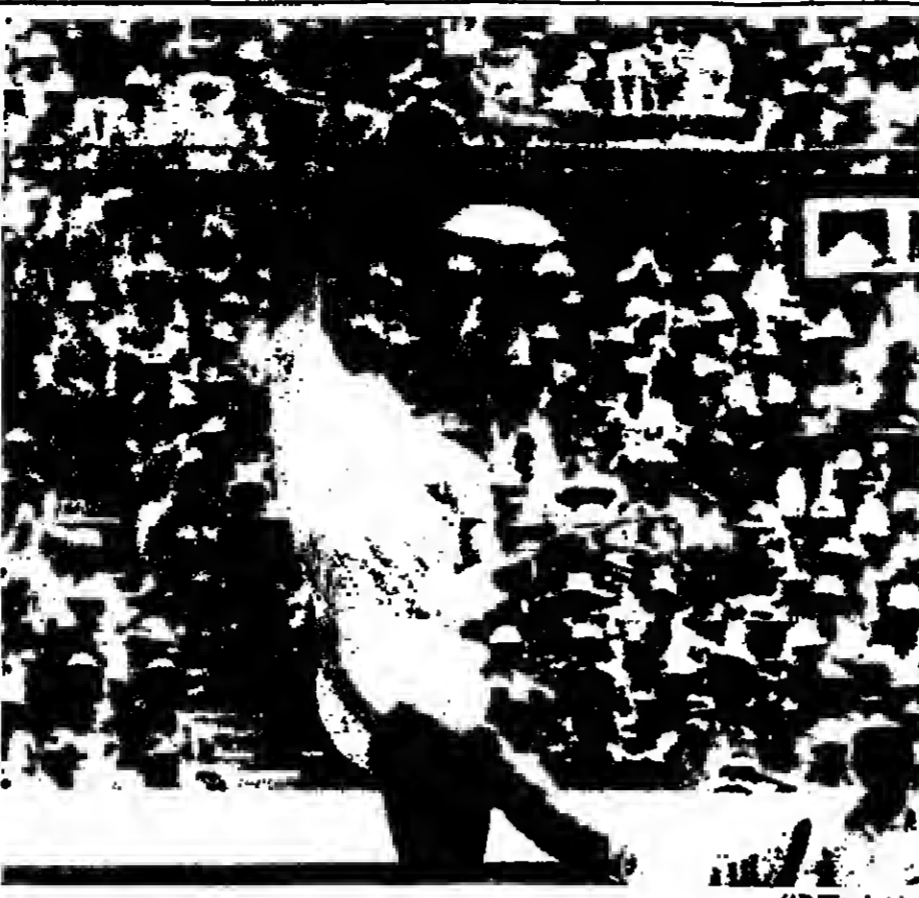
Ramos, the right, managed a short cross for Victorino who was waiting off the far post. Victorino prodded the ball off his toe into the net as Bordon flung himself forward.

With five minutes to go a despairing tackle from Tardelli stopped Paz in mid-flight and the referee produced the red card. Tardelli protested, but left the field.

The goal made Victorino the tournament's leading scorer with two and added insurance to the shut-out preserved by Uruguayan goalkeeper Rodolfo Rodriguez, his fifth in the last five international matches.

Uruguayan coach Roque Maspoli said the pressure of playing for a place in the final was the reason for the violent that marred the match.

"The game was hard but the players were only being loyal. It was because a place in the final was at stake," Maspoli said. He was impressed with the Italians during the first 45 minutes.



THE CHAMP: Brian Teacher (U.S.) returns a job as he goes on to beat Kim Warwick 7-5, 7-6, 6-3 to win the Marlboro Australian Open Tennis tournament Saturday.

Americans continue to dominate

Mary Meagher and Caulkins excel

GAINESVILLE, Florida, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Americans swimmers, bent on revenging their absence from the Moscow Olympics, grabbed the lion's share of victories on the second day of the International Swimming Meet here, winning seven of a possible ten finals.

And another four best world performances were notched up in this three-day event with the Soviet Union's triple olympic champion Vladimir Salnikov leading the way.

Salnikov swam the 400 meters freestyle in a magnificent 3 mins 46.41 secs to better the previous best world performance over the distance of 3:46.95 set by American John Hills in April 1978.

Canada's Alex Baumann then clocked 4 mins 14.11 the 400 meters medley, improving the previous best world time of 4:17.81

set nearly two years ago by Jesse Vasslo of the United States.

In the women's events, American Mary Meagher bettered the best 100 meters butterfly world time when she stormed to victory in 58.91 secs (the previous best was 59.92 set by East Germany's Caren Metschuck last November).

Metschuck, a sensation at the Moscow Olympics, finished third, following American Tracy Caulkins.

Caulkins, who powered to a world's best in the 100 meters breaststroke Friday, met international rival, East Germany's Petra Schneider Saturday, in an eagerly-awaited 400 meters medley final.

The young Kentuckian clipped nearly four seconds off the previous best world time of 4:37.33 set by Schneider two months ago,

finishing in 4:33.44 to win the event.

Rowdy Gaines of the United States easily dominated the 200 meters freestyle, beating Italy's Paolo Revelli by 01.34 seconds. The Soviet Union's Sergei Kopliakov, 200 meters Moscow gold medalist, trailed badly in fourth place.

Downed by Metschuck in the women's 100 meters freestyle Friday, American Cynthia Woodhead took her revenge Saturday when she snatched the 200 meters event ahead of Moscow silver medalist Ines Diers of East Germany. Diers, however, fought back in the 400 meters, winning over Sara Linke of the United States.

In all, the United States took five individual titles and both relays for a total of seven wins, while the Soviet Union, East Germany, and Canada captured one final each.

Everton shocks Arsenal with two goals Ipswich, Liverpool win

LONDON, Jan. 4 (AFP) — England center-forward Paul Mariner kept Ipswich on course for the League and Cup "double" with a 14th minute goal which sunk Aston Villa in the third round English FA Cup tie at Portman Road Saturday.

Mariner's 14th goal of the season was enough to win a match that lived up to its "title of the round" billing. The goal was set up by Dutchman Arnold Muhren and George Burley and Alan Brazil. Although Gorean Cowans inspired a fine Villa fight-back, Ipswich hung on after a great match.

Liverpool, another side with the "double" finally in mind, are also still very much in the hunt after their expected comfortable victory at home to non-league Altrincham, although it took the favorites nearly half an hour to get off the mark.

Two goals by Kenny Dalglish helped Liverpool cruise home 4-1, and it became a day of double celebration for Merseyside when Everton beat fancied Arsenal with two late goals at Goodison Park.

While their distinguished north London

neighbors were going out, Emneld forced a replay away to fourth division Port Vale. The "non-leaguers" should have made sure at the first attempt after taking a 40th-minute lead through John Bishop but a surprise equalizer from Kenny Beech in the 71st minute, earned the Potteries' team a second chance.

Malcolm Allison's return to Crystal Palace ended in abject failure as City coasted to a 4-0 victory. Allison was given a warm welcome when he led out Palace before the game, but John Bond's men showed no mercy and Kevin Reeves scored twice.

Just across the city, Manchester United looked to be on their way out when Brighton scored twice in the first 24 minutes at Old Trafford, Andy Ritchie, transferred by United earlier this season, headed the second goal as Brighton took control, but United scored twice in five minutes late in the second half to force a replay.

Cup holders West Ham United were surprisingly held to a 1-1 draw at home by their fellow second division team Wrexham.

Champions Aberdeen were held to their second 1-1 draw of the week, and are now only one point ahead of Celtic, although they have a game in hand. Celtic beat Greenock Morton 3-0 with first-half goals from Frank McGarvey, who scored twice with headers, and Dave Provan.

Jimmy Bane opened the scoring for St. Mirren early in the second half, and Ian Scanlon, midweek scorer against Dundee United, equalized from the penalty spot after 66 minutes.

Australia scores innings victory

SYDNEY, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Australia crushed India by an innings and four runs in the first cricket Test at the Sydney Cricket ground Saturday, with two days to spare.

India's loss would have been even greater had it not been for the brave ninth-wicket partnership of 57 in 48 minutes by wicket-keeper Syed Kirmani and Karsan Ghavri.

Score-board

India (1st innings) 201
Australia (1st innings) 406
India (2nd innings)

S. Gavaskar c Marsh b Hogg 10
C. Chandel c Walters b Pascoe 36
D. Viswanath c Marsh b Pascoe 34
G. Viswanath st Marsh b Hogg 24
Yashpal Sharma c Walters b Lillee 4
Kapil Dev c Ash. Gray b Hogg 19
S. Kulkarni not out 43
S. Paul c Wood b Lillee 4
R. Bandyopadhyay b Lillee 0
K. Ghavri c Hogg b Hogg 21
D. Desai c Lillee b Hogg 0
Extras 6. Total 201.

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-21, 2-74, 3-92, 4-110, 5-120, 6-140, 7-144, 8-144, 9-201.
BOWLING: Lillee 19-3-79-3; Hogg 9-1-24-1; Pascoe 11-2-35-2; Hogg 18-4-45-4; Walters 6-3-12-0.

West Indies bag series

MULTAN, Jan. 4 (AP) — The fourth cricket Test match between Pakistan and West Indies was abandoned Sunday afternoon because of rain.

Out of the four Tests played during their two-months tour in Pakistan the West Indies won one match and the remaining three remained drawn. The series were won by the West Indies 1-0. West Indies also won all the three one-day internationals.

At a brief ceremony held here on Sunday at the conclusion of the Test, Vivian Richards of the West Indies was declared "the man of the match" of the Multan Test, while Imran Khan of Pakistan and Vivian Richards were declared as the "men of the series."

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The Organization of the Islamic Conference (Part II)

Institutional framework for cooperation

By A Special Correspondent

JEDDAH — Passing along Mecca Road, the curious eye stops to look at an imposing building surrounded by high walls with 40 flagpoles on the front wall. Sometimes, very often lately, the poles are adorned with multicolored flags from various countries. This is the headquarters of the General Organization of the Islamic Conference (OIC). The flags flying in the wind and the constant flow of cars to and from the building are signs that another OIC-sponsored meeting is in session. The buzz of activity in the building in the past year is a reflection of the growing importance of the OIC headed by its active Tunisian secretary general, Habib Chatti.

The General Secretariat acts as the liaison, coordinator and executive for the activities of the organization. It has several wings each responsible for a specialized field and matters pertaining to economic and commercial cooperation are the responsibility of the Economic Affairs Department under an elected assistant secretary general aided by a professional staff.

It is obvious that the multifarious activities of the OIC in the economic field cannot all be handled by the General Secretariat and

require a team of experts. Thus, like the United Nations, the OIC has set up specialized agencies and subsidiary organs to carry out its stupendous task as envisaged by its

founders. One of the earlier needs in setting up these specialized organs was an agency to gather and monitor economic oriented information as information and statistics are the basis of planning and economic cooperation. It was realized that one of the fundamental prob-



HEADQUARTERS: General Secretariat of the OIC

lems hindering economic integration of the Islamic world was the lack of sufficient data and information. One of the first steps taken in evolving an institutional framework was

the establishment of the statistical, Economic and Social Research and Training Center for the Islamic countries located in Ankara, Turkey. The center began operational in June 1978 as an affiliate organ of the OIC and has staff of professional economists and research workers. Within a short time, it has been able

to undertake data work on the economic and social structures of member states of the OIC. The Ankara center carries out studies, analyzes economic developments globally, and draws up guidelines for OIC economics and coordinated strategy at international conferences. It publishes a quarterly journal of latest statistics of member states and articles on topical economic subjects. It prepares training programs for member states and is in the process of setting up a data bank.

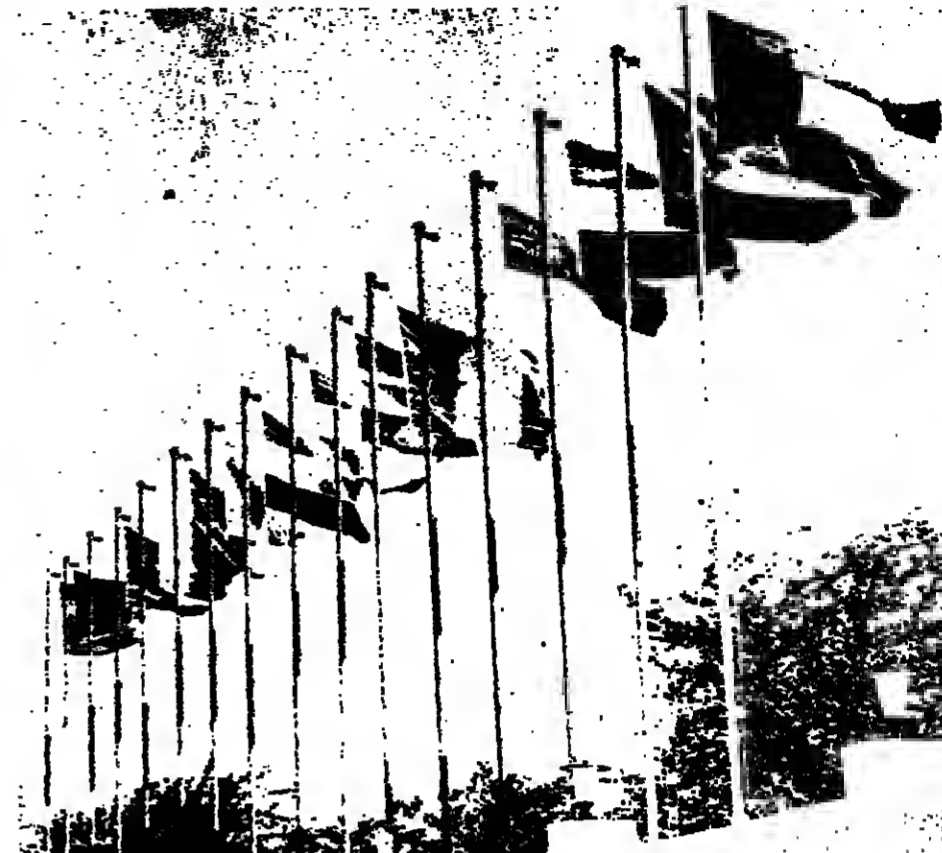
Another organ which has commenced work is the Islamic Center for Technical and Vocational Training and Research which was set up in Dacca, Bangladesh, in 1978. Its objectives are to train instructors, technicians and tradesmen and conduct technological and industrial research for the benefit of member states. The setting up of this center has helped OIC countries on the important field of development of human resources. The center also has plans for a long-term training program.

In the private sector, the Islamic Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Commodity Exchange has been operational for the past two years with its headquarters in Karachi, Pakistan. Its aims are to encourage trade, industry, agriculture and handicrafts; to propose economic policies advantageous to its members and create avenues for collaboration amongst its members and similar organizations throughout the Islamic world; to promote investment opportunities and joint ventures; organize trade fairs, exhibitions and seminars and to strive towards the gradual realization of Islamic economic unity. The establishment of the Islamic Chamber of Commerce is meant to ensure that the private sector would also participate and contribute to the economic cooperation and Islamic unity.

To promote commercial and trade ties, the first Islamic trade fair was organized in Istanbul last December with participation of ministers of commerce of several OIC member countries. The fair was a resounding success prompting the OIC to make this a regular feature and to profit from the occasion by organizing seminars and workshops on trade oriented themes.

In the monetary and fiscal fields, practice has developed for an annual gathering of the governors of central banks and monetary authorities of OIC countries to meet to view fiscal developments and recommend measures for a stable monetary system. Three such meetings have been held so far in Kuala Lumpur, Kampala and Riyadh in the past three years.

Mention may also be made in this connection of the activities of the Islamic Development Bank (IDB) in Jeddah which is an autonomous body but created through a resolution of the Islamic Foreign Ministers Confer-



FLAGS FLUTTER: Multicolored flags of various member countries in front of the OIC headquarters in Jeddah.

ence and working in close cooperation with the OIC General Secretariat. The IDB helps prepare studies for the OIC on economic and fiscal matters and has played a significant role in inter-Islamic banking. Its operations include project assistance, foreign trade financing, equity projects, leasing operations and technical assistance. The IDB is a unique experience in the banking world as its operations are not profit oriented in line with the principles of the Shariah.

Besides the institutional framework, the OIC General Secretariat maintains close cooperation with other international and regional organizations. It maintains a permanent observer office at the United Nations in New York and there are plans to set up a European office in the near future. It is also an observer at several specialized agencies of the U.N. the Organization of African Unity, the

Group of 77, the Non-Aligned Movement and so on. Agencies like the UNDP and FAO have helped prepare studies for OIC meetings. The General Secretariat recently concluded a cooperation agreement with UNESCO and similar agreements with other U.N. bodies are under consideration. Contacts and close ties with the Arab League, a natural development in view of the composition of membership of the two agencies, have been stepped up.

With the increase of activities of the OIC in economic and other fields, the trend to expand the organizational set up to fulfill these goals would continue. In fact, certain proposals in this direction have already been finalized and are expected to come up at the Third Islamic Summit to be held in the Kingdom next month.

(To be continued tomorrow)



ACTIVITIES: The Organization of the Islamic Conference and Turkey sign an agreement under which Turkey will grant diplomatic immunity to the Research Center on Islamic History, Arts and Culture in Istanbul. Picture above taken during the signing ceremony in Jeddah Nov. 17 shows (from left) Dr. Ashrafuz Zaman, economic affairs director of the OIC; Naci Akinci, of the Turkish embassy; Filaret Barakat, the Turkish ambassador; Hamzah Rab'atuna, chief de cabinet of the General Secretariat; Habib Chatti, OIC secretary general; Naim Hassan, of the Economic Department of the OIC; and Zainoel Arifin Oesman, assistant secretary general of the OIC Economic Department.

Flute concert scheduled today

JEDDAH — The Jeddah Concert Committee presents the third concert of the season, with music for flute and piano Monday, Jan. 5. The recital will be given by Alain Marion, the well known French flutist who is visiting the Kingdom, and Caroline Hafner, the pianist. She will

play on the Bosendorfer recently acquired by the committee, and the program will include the Poulenc Flute Sonata. The concert is at the Continental School and starts at 8.30 p.m. Tickets are available at the door.

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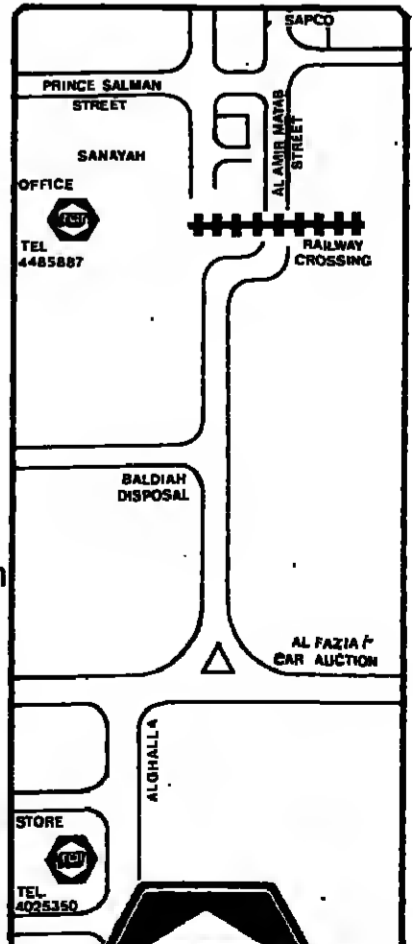
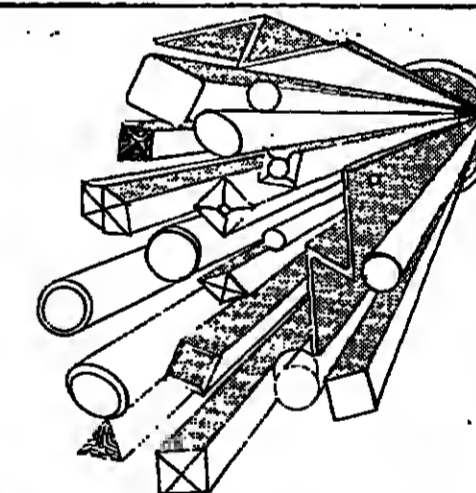
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Higher oil prices foreseen in Gulf

BAHRAIN, Jan. 4 (R) — Gulf oil exporting countries may announce higher prices within the next few days, but the amounts remain uncertain, industry sources have said. Under the scheme worked out in Bali last month by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), Gulf producers can raise prices up to \$41 a barrel. The United Arab Emirates (UAE), which cut output from its Abu Dhabi fields last week by 80,000 barrels a day, about 6 per cent, to preserve the reservoirs, said Saturday it was still looking into the pricing policy, the Emirates News agency reported. UAE oil ministry sources said a decision could come within a few days.

Kuwait, oil ministry officials said a decision on increasing oil prices was expected to be taken by the oil council by the middle of the month. Kuwaiti Oil Minister Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah has predicted that most Gulf countries will raise prices, but at most by \$3 a barrel.

Gulf oil analysts say the price increases would be backdated to Jan. 1, but Gulf producers wanted to see what other OPEC members were doing.

An increase of \$3 a barrel would raise prices to a benchmark or marker level of about \$35 a barrel from 32 at present. The OPEC agreement allows an increase to \$36, plus extra for top-quality oil up to a maximum \$41. But Gulf oil analysts said a decision by Libya, an OPEC pricing hawk, to raise its prices by full \$4 allowed under the OPEC agreement might tempt some producers to move to a 36-dollar marker. Saudi Arabia, the world's largest oil exporters, raised its price to \$32 at the Bali meeting, backdated to Nov. 1.

Saudi Oil Minister Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani has since said there would be no further increase in prices till the meeting of the OPEC ministers in Geneva May 25. The UAE Oil Minister Mana Said Al-Oteiba told the Emirates News agency that prices and the world oil market would be discussed at that meeting, along with OPEC's long-term price strategy.



RESCUE BOAT: A new high-speed all-weather search and rescue boat designed to operate in hazardous North Sea conditions demonstrates its rugged sea-keeping qualities off the East coast of Scotland. Based on lightweight fibreglass currently in service, it has been specially built to meet offshore oil industry requirements.

Chrysler fights for survival

U.S. car industry views better prospect

DETROIT, Jan. 4 (R) — After suffering its heaviest losses in history in 1980, the U.S. car industry is expecting better sales in 1981. But one of its biggest companies could still go broke. Chrysler, the country's third largest carmaker, is fighting desperately for survival after losing an estimated \$2.8 billion in the last two years.

The entire industry has been severely hurt by a depressed economy, high interest rates, rising production costs, increased Japanese imports, dearer petrol and a consumer switch to small, fuel-saving cars. Some 190,000 vehicle workers have been laid off, representing about 22 per cent of the workforce of the four largest companies — General Motors, Ford, Chrysler and American Motors. Overall losses by these companies are likely to be around \$4 billion over the year.

But car chiefs and analysts expect the industry to rebound in 1981, assuming the economy rides out of the present recession by the fourth quarter.

"It's hard to imagine that it could possibly be worse than 1980, except maybe for

Chrysler," said car industry analyst Arvid Jouppl.

"But I think Chrysler will survive and even make a profit, say \$10 million, in 1981," he added.

Chrysler is counting on its 60,000 union workers agreeing to a wage freeze for the next 21 months to save the company more than \$600 million.

It also needs an extra \$400 million in loan guarantees from the government, in addition to the \$800 million already given under an aid plan last May.

The United Auto Workers (UAW) has agreed to reopen contract negotiations, but it indicated it was not prepared to go all the way with the wage freeze.

The signals from President-elect Ronald Reagan's new administration are also not encouraging for the company. Donald Reagan, designated to be treasury secretary, said that the nation's economy could withstand the collapse of Chrysler.

The administration is also unlikely to be receptive to industry pleas to limit Japanese imports. The new president is a staunch

advocate of free trade and feels curbs would only invite retaliatory protectionist moves from Japan.

The U.S. International Trade Commission has already rejected a request from Ford and the UAW to restrict foreign competition, saying it was not so much imports but economic decline and a shift in demand from large to small cars that hurt the industry.

Imports accounted for 34.5 per cent of U.S. sales in the first six months of 1980, up appreciably from 77.1 per cent in 1979. However, demand for fuel-efficient imported cars, which mainly come from Japan, tailed off in the last few months of 1980.

Jouppl predicted imports will be down from 2.5 million vehicles in 1980 to 2.2 million in 1981, mainly because the new fuel-conserving 1981 Escort and Lynx models introduced by Ford and the K-car launched by Chrysler will win back buyers.

New General Motors chief Roger Smith forecast total car and truck sales in the U.S. will reach 13 million in 1981, about 1.5 million more than in 1980.

Trudeau bid to revive North-South dialogue

OTTAWA, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Canadian Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau was due to leave here Monday for Austria on the first leg of a three-continent journey aimed at reviving the "North-South dialogue" on a new world economic order.

From Vienna, where he has lined up talks with Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky, Trudeau will go on to Algeria, Nigeria, Senegal and Brazil, with a brief stopover in Mexico before returning home 12 days later.

Each leg of the trip was carefully chosen to tie in with Canada's position as a diplomatic crossroad, both Anglophone and Francophone, industrialized but concerned with third world development.

The tour precedes four major international meetings due to take place during the current year: The imminent United Nations talks on international economic relations, the North-South summit conference scheduled to be held in Mexico in June, a summit meeting of seven industrialized countries in Ottawa in July and the Commonwealth conference in Melbourne at the end of September.

Chancellor Kreisky, whom the Canadian premier meets at the start of his tour, and Mexican President Jose Lopez Portillo, the last head of state he will call on, are the prime movers behind the Mexico meeting.

Algeria, Trudeau's second stop, is an influential member of the non-aligned

Suspicion

raised against geothermal plans

FLORIDA, Jan. 4 (AP) — Unreliable half-baked schemes are giving alternative-energy systems a bad name in the developing nations that can't afford to throw away money on projects that don't work, participants in an energy program at the University of Florida said.

"We can't take risks because we have to borrow money to buy the technological process. S. Singh member of the 16-nation Development Board, Barbados, said. Some Caribbean nations recently bought geothermal technology that didn't work, he added.

"We have some geothermal potential in the Caribbean islands," he said. "Now we are getting help from New Zealand and Italy."

movement and has been campaigning for a new world economic order. It is also Canada's leading trading partner in Africa. Nigeria, the economic giant of west Africa and the most populous country on the continent, is a member of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and of the Commonwealth and a leading voice in the Organization of African Unity (OAU) and a champion of dialogue between the world's rich and poor states.

In contrast to Nigeria with its oil wealth, Senegal's economy is based on agriculture and has been badly hit by the energy crisis. Here Trudeau will hold talks with the west African country's new President, Abdou Diouf, who this week stepped into the shoes of President Leopold Senghor.

Brazil, the longest stop on Trudeau's journey, is an industrializing country which has also suffered badly from the international energy and economic crisis.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 2:00 P.M. Friday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	—	8.87	8.85
Belgian Franc (1,000)	105.00	—	—
Canadian Dollar	2.80	—	—
Deutsche Mark (100)	170.00	170.50	168.55
Dutch Guilder (100)	156.00	—	155.30
Egyptian Pound	—	4.40	4.45
European Dollar (100)	—	91.00	90.90
French Franc (100)	73.00	74.25	73.25
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	72.25	73.50
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	42.25
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	8.25	—
Italian Lira (10,000)	36.00	36.30	36.00
Japanese Yen (1,000)	16.10	—	16.65
Jordanian Dinar	—	10.88	10.82
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.26	12.26
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	92.00	90.18
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	82.00	79.15
Nigerian Naira (100)	—	—	33.70
Philippine Peso (100)	—	—	44.50
Pound Sterling	7.88	7.98	7.96
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	91.80	91.70
Singapore Dollar	—	—	1.56
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BRIEFS

COLOMBO, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Indian Finance Minister R. Venkataraman arrived here Sunday on a two-day official visit. He was greeted at the airport by his Sri Lankan counterpart Ronnie de Melwih whom he was to begin discussions later on economic cooperation between the two countries. Venkataraman, the first Indian minister from the present government of Mrs. Indira Gandhi to visit Sri Lanka, will meet president J.R. Jayewardene and Prime Minister Ranasinghe Premadasa Tuesday before leaving for home the same evening.

ROSTOCK, East Germany (AFP) — East Germany launched 61 merchant ships with a total tonnage of 450,000 tons in 1980, East German shipbuilding authorities have reported. Fifty-four of the vessels were exported, with 40 going to the Soviet Union. The remainder were delivered to 12 countries. The country's shipyards, which employ some 55,000 people, plan to build 59 merchant ships this year.

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Ministry of P.T.T.	Cleaning of offices and other places of the ministry	22/400/401	100	Jan. 11
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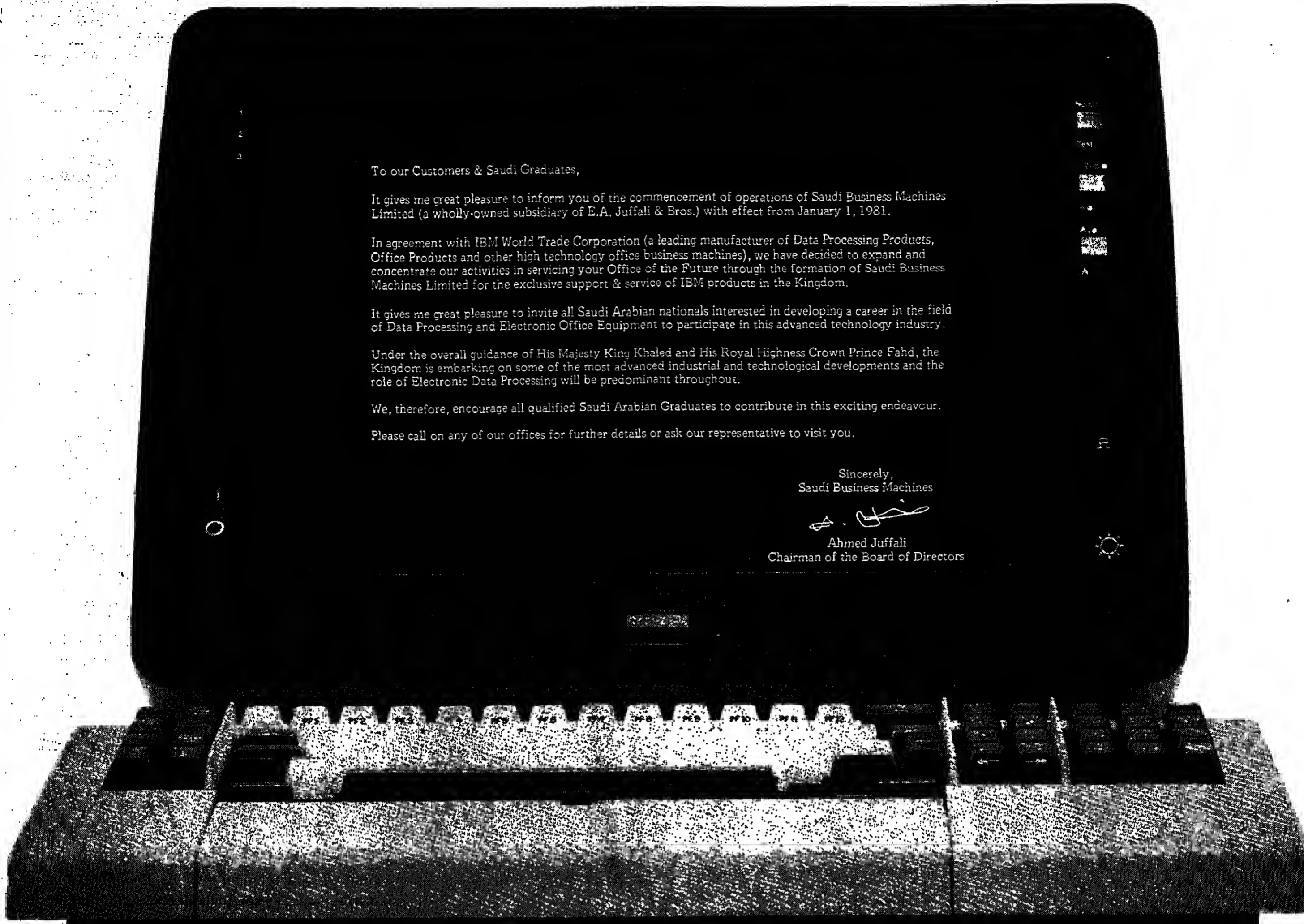
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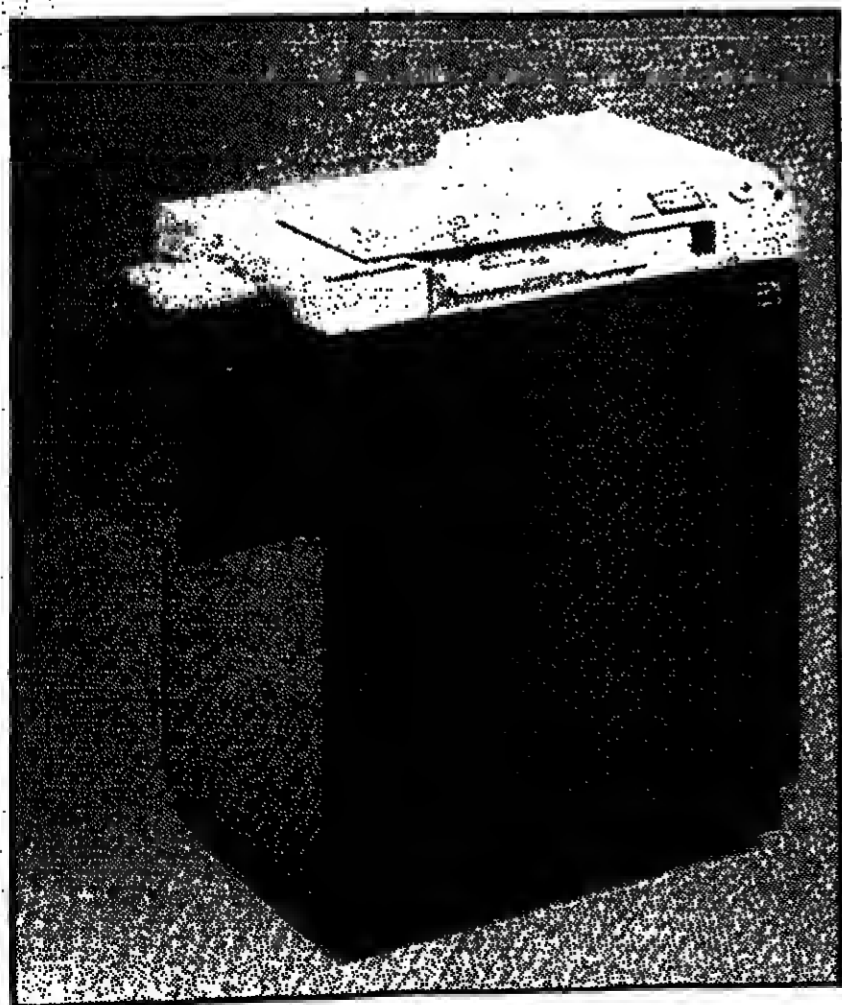
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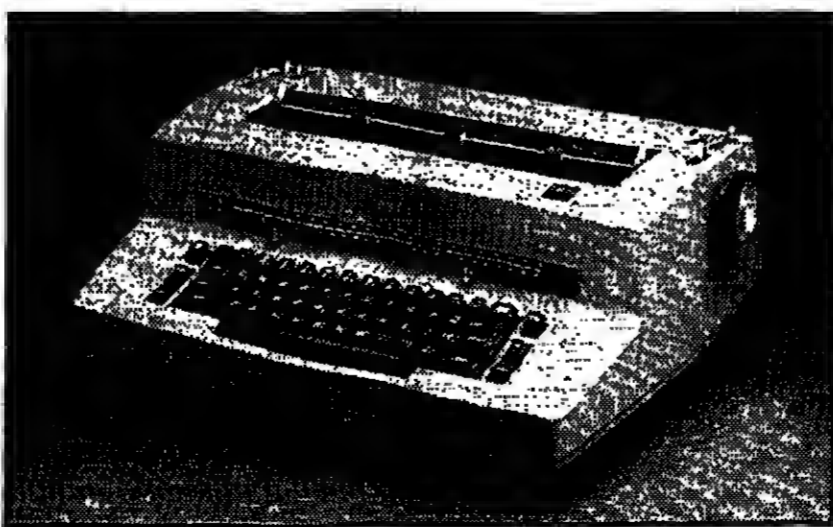
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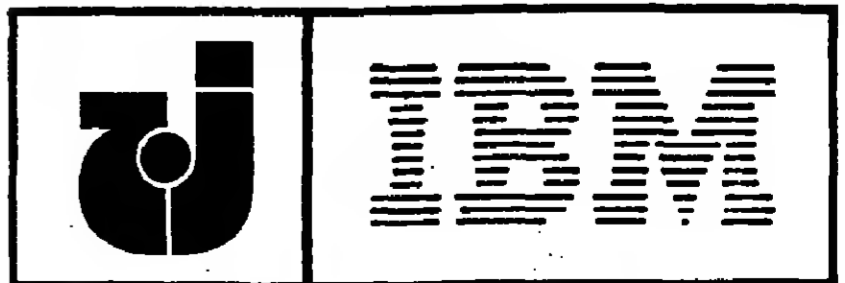
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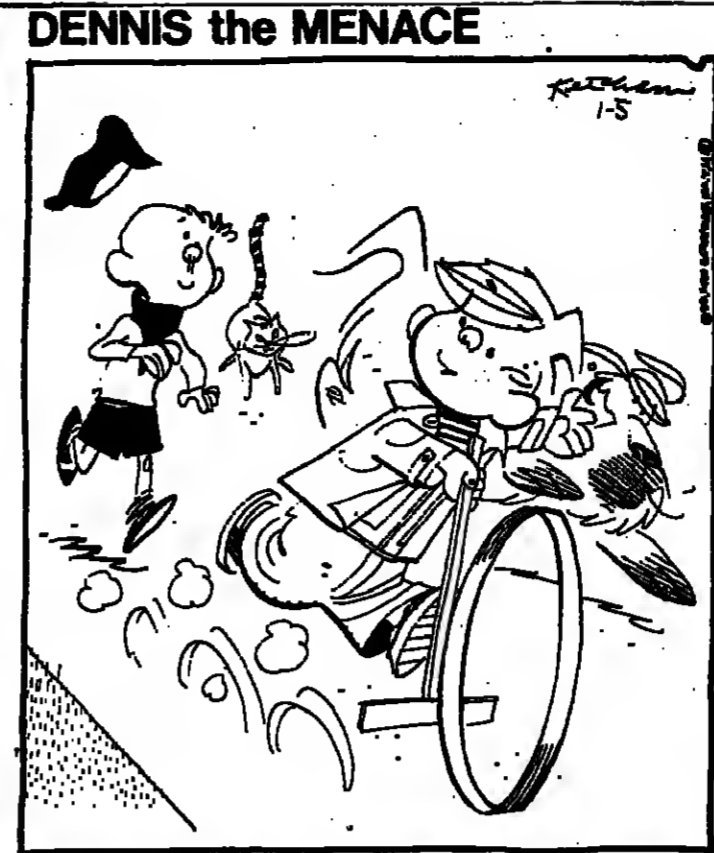
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CANCER (June 21 to July 22)
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SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)
You veer from being overly suspicious to being too trusting. Don't try now to figure out others' motivations. Mind your own business.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)
If feeling blue, you may be tempted to overspend. Watch arguments with friends. Concentrate on improving personal appearance.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)
The erratic behavior of higher-ups may disturb you. Maintain self-confidence. Romance has a secretive quality. Enjoy privacy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)
Conflicting advice may put you in a quandary. Postpone important decisions. Enjoy socializing with others. Lend a helping hand.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)
You'll make a good impression on higher-ups now, but refrain from being overly aggressive. Don't argue about money.

Crossword

by THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS 43 Film cult figure (1981-1985)
5 Throat irritant
9 Prong
10 Breakfast dish
13 Current fad
14 Winden
15 "You — My Lucky Star" a price, late pal
18 Noted U.S. Chief Justice
20 Do table work
21 Nigerian tribesman
22 Engrave
23 First American in orbit
26 Gaggle's members
27 Troth symbol
28 Lamentable
29 American playwright
30 "Plait" in S'il vous plait
34 Tarot root
35 — Bias
36 Actress Rita
37 Rats
38 Frenetic
40 Hire
41 Different
42 Blue-pencil

44 Film cult figure (1981-1985)
DOWN
1 Kind of man or vote
2 Coronet
3 Dangerous emotion
4 Haw and —
5 Famous N.Y. congressman
6 Twirl
7 Salt (Fr.)
8 Smooth one's feathers
11 Mores
12 Grow molar and such
16 "Games People Play" author
19 Cowpoke's realm
20 American baritone
23 Lament
24 Under den warpath
25 Overcast
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28 Harpsichord
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35 Jordan film
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39 Espouse

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7:45 Religious Program
8:00 News
8:10 Light Music
8:30 Literary Magazine
8:45 Country Radio
8:45 Country Radio
9:00 News
9:05 Pakistan's Progress Path

7:45 Religious Program
8:00 News
8:15 Historical News
8:45 One Foot
9:00 News
9:15 Press Review
9:20 On This Day
9:25 New Songs

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8:05 Glean of Guidance
8:10 Light Music
8:15 Jeddah Highlights
8:45 Fountains of Knowledge
9:00 A Viewpoint
9:10 Music
9:15 NEWS
9:25 S.A. — A Daily Chronicle
10:30 Dream Land
11:00 A Leaf from Life's Notebook
11:15 In Concert
11:45 On Islam
12:30 Music
12:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
01:00 Closures

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9:30 Opera Star
10:00 World News
10:09 Twenty-Four Hours
10:30 Sarah Ward
10:45 Something to Show You
11:00 World News
11:09 Reflections
11:15 Piano Style
11:30 Britain of Britain 1978
12:00 World News
12:09 British Press Review
12:15 World Today
12:30 Financial News
12:40 Look Ahead
12:45 The Tony Myster

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1:30 Discovery
2:00 World News
2:09 News about Britain
2:15 Alphabet of Medical Cases
2:30 Sports International
2:40 Radio Newsworld
3:15 Promenade Concert
3:45 Sports Round-up
4:00 World News
4:09 Twenty-Four Hours
4:30 The Fountains of the World
5:15 Report on Religion
6:00 Radio Newsworld
6:15 Outlook
7:00 World News
7:09 Commentary
7:15 Sherlock Holmes
7:45 World Today
8:00 World News
8:09 Books and Writers

8:30 Take One
8:45 Sports Round-up
9:00 World News
9:09 News about Britain
9:15 Radio Newsworld
9:30 Farming World
10:00 Outlook News Summary
10:39 Stock Market Report
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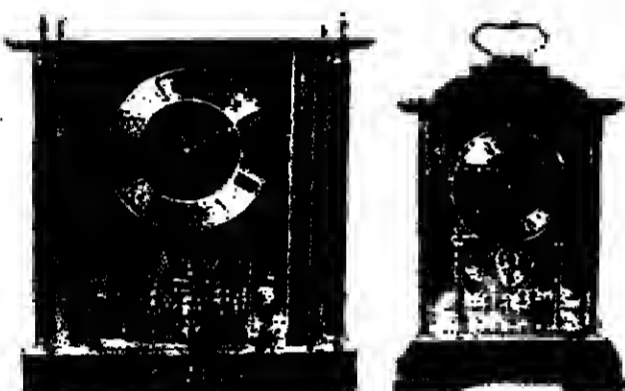
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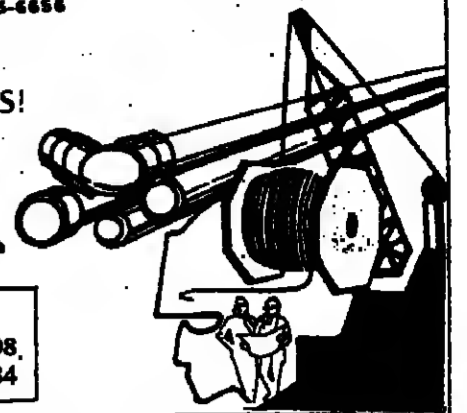
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Vietnamese incursion

Thai troops rushed to eastern border

BANGKOK, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Thailand rushed more troops to its eastern border with Kampuchea Sunday following a bloody clash with the Vietnamese-led incursion forces Saturday, though the border itself was later reported calm.

Supreme command spokesman Gen. Som Katapan said frontline troops from the first army division were being reinforced with local units, and remained on full "red alert".

But the border was "completely quiet" Sunday with no unusual Vietnamese military activity reported, he added quoting reports from field commanders.

Meanwhile, a two-man U.S. congressional delegation, just back from Vietnam and Kampuchea, said they held absolutely no hope for an early solution to the Kampuchean conflict.

"There appears to be no willingness at the present time, whatsoever, to consider participation in an international conference (on resolving the conflict), let alone a withdrawal of Vietnamese forces from Kampuchea", representative Stephen Solarz (Democrat-

New York) said.

He also expressed doubt, at an airport press conference, that the reported Vietnamese incursion Saturday had been timed to coincide with the Indochinese leg of his Asian tour, but declined to rule out the possibility.

Vietnam has repeatedly accused Thailand and the United States of working with China to destabilize what is called its military-dominated sphere of influence in Laos and Kampuchea.

In Saturday's clash, two Thai soldiers were killed and another wounded in Thai territory near the jungle headquarters of Kampuchean anti-Communist guerrillas leader Son Sann, authorities here said.

No immediate Vietnamese comment was monitored here. The clash was the first reported inside Thai territory since the Vietnamese forces briefly crossed the border from Kampuchea last June.

Reached by telephone, Gen. Som told agency France-Press he believed the incursion marked the start of a wider dry-season offensive against both Thailand, America's closest ally on the southeast Asian mainland, and anti-Vietnamese guerrillas.

An estimated 30,000 to 40,000 guerrillas loyal to the ousted pro-Peking Khmer Rouge regime, plus a much smaller number of anti-Communist forces, have been fighting Vietnamese troops since the Vietnamese-backed troops captured Phnom Penh two years ago.

But though Gen. Som said Saturday's thrust — by no more than a platoon of 50 to 60 men — had not been "an isolated event," veteran analysts played down the threat to Thailand.

One theory held that the action was meant to indicate again that Vietnam armed presence in Kampuchea was not subject to negotiation.

Saturday night the Thai military said the intruders had been "driven back across the border" after a 90-minute clash about one kilometer inside Thai territory.

Vietnamese forces backing the Phnom Penh government of Heng Samrin held small parts of Thai territory for about 48 hours last June in clashes that Thailand said killed 75 Vietnamese and 22 Thais.

There was, meanwhile, still no confirmation of a report that Son Sann, a 70-year-old former Kampuchea premier, had returned to his base after months of traveling abroad to obtain international support.

Thai minister warns against mini-skirts

By Edward Thangarajah
Arab News Correspondent

BANGKOK, Jan. 4 — A puritan Thai minister, Khunthong Poopivudvan, is making a name while earning the wrath of the people in fun-loving Bangkok. He has asked Thai women to do away with mini-skirts and wants cinema stars here to set an example wearing long dresses.

He argues that mini-skirts are provocative. But fashion pace-setters, film-makers and film-goers oppose the minister's call, pointing out that the minister is trying to put the clock back by 50 years. Some argue that mini-skirts were worn in Thailand many years ago and have become part of Thai life.

In another development, a team of Malaysian officials is expected to visit Bangkok soon to probe allegations that runaway couples are coming to south Thailand to have their marriages solemnized.

Deng meets delegates from U.S.

PEKING, Jan. 4 (R) — Prominent American Republicans Anna Chennault and Ted Stevens Sunday began talks with Communist Party Vice-Chairman Deng Xiaoping.

Pro-Taiwan campaigner Mrs. Chennault and incoming deputy Senate leader Stevens, invited here by the semi-governmental Chinese People's Institute for Foreign Affairs, were due to give a press conference later. Although officially described as a private visit, it is the first high-level contact between the camp of President-elect Ronald Reagan and the Chinese government since he won the November elections.

A spokesman for Reagan in Washington has denied they were carrying a message from the President-elect to the Chinese.

Mrs. Chennault, the Chinese-born widow of Gen. Claire Chennault, commander of the legendary "Flying Tigers" volunteer air service which supplied arms to nationalist leader Chiang Kai-shek during World War II, is due to go to Taiwan Monday via Tokyo.

Mugabe violating pact, says Smith

LONDON, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Former Rhodesian Prime Minister Ian Smith was quoted Sunday as saying that the government of Zimbabwe, the new name for the country he once ruled, has taken actions apparently "calculated to provoke white emigration."

In an article published here by the newspaper *Sunday Express*, Smith charged that Zimbabwe Prime Minister Robert Mugabe had not honored all the commitments provided in the Lancaster House conference, which led colonial Rhodesia to independence and established majority rule. The former leader of the nation's white community — which numbers about 200,000 in a total population of more than seven million — said that if Zimbabwe wants to receive the Western economic aid provided under the Lancaster House agreement, its government will have to actively assure the white community a measure of security and peace.

Fire kills 25 cats

PARIS, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Twenty-five cats were burned to death in an apartment fire when their owner was out shopping at Rambervillers, eastern France. Firemen managed to save five cats and a dog. Their owner, a 68-year-old woman, lived in the apartment with her 30 cats and a dog, who never left the building.



HEALTHY FOOT: Michael Foot, leader of the opposition in Britain, leaving a London hospital recently after treatment on his left eye.

Namibia talks end

LUANDA, Jan. 4 (AFP) — Representatives of six southern African front line states, which will send observers to Geneva for next week's U.N.-sponsored conference on Namibia, wound up a one-day preparatory meeting here late Saturday but gave no hint as to their pre-conference strategy.

The six, support the black nationalist South West Africa People's Organization (SWAPO) issued a communique describing the conference as a step toward an independence settlement for the South African-administered territory. The representatives of the six — Angola, Botswana, Mozambique, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe — also expressed the hope that all those taking part in the conference would do their utmost to ensure its success.



BLIND PROTEST: Police haul a blind protester away after breaking a rally of blind demonstrators demanding jobs outside Prime Minister Indira Gandhi's residence in New Delhi Thursday. About 100 blind protesters were briefly detained.

Polish purges continue

WARSAW, Jan. 4 (AP) — The purge of Poland's former leaders continued with word that former party boss Edward Gierek, two former premiers and others had been dropped from the presidium of a mass organization.

Poland's official Pab news agency said that Gierek, former premier Edward Bahiuch and Piotr Jaroszewicz, ideological chief Jerzy Lukaszewicz and former vice-premier Jan Szydlak were removed Saturday from the presidium of the all-Polish committee of the National Unity Front.

Members of the front, meeting in Warsaw, also selected Mieczyslaw Moczar, a controversial former interior minister and long-time Gierek rival, as one of the organization's vice-presidents.

Communist Party leader Stanislaw Kania, who succeeded Gierek, and Premier Jozef Pankowski were among 104 persons accepted for membership in the front, Pab said. Defense Minister Wojciech Jaruzelski and

Five white-edited papers taken over

SALISBURY, Jan. 4 (R) — The Zimbabwe government effectively took over control of the country's white-edited newspapers at the weekend prompting acrimonious charges in one editorial that press freedom had been lost.

Information Minister Nathan Shamuyarira told a news conference Saturday that the government had set up a Zimbabwe mass media trust which had bought out South African-controlling interests in the *Herald*, the *Bulawayo Chronicle*, the *Sunday Mail*, the *Sunday News* and the weekly *Umtali Post*.

In an editorial Sunday, the *Sunday Mail* said that in the past "the press always felt that freedom, always cherished and defended,

Hostage diplomats moved to new site

TEHRAN, Jan. 4 (Agencies) — The three U.S. diplomats detained in Iran's Foreign Ministry here have been moved to a new site amid speculation they may have joined their 49 colleagues also held hostage for 14 months.

A Swiss diplomat said he was told by the Iranian Foreign Ministry that all 52 hostages seized by Islamic militants at the U.S. Embassy were now "in the hands of the government" here. Iranian government spokesman Ahmad Azizi had said earlier the three U.S. diplomats, including charge d'affaires Bruce Laingen, had been moved to a "more appropriate place of detention."

He did not say where, but informed sources suggested the diplomats, who were visiting the ministry when the Islamic militants stormed the U.S. Embassy on November 4 1979, may have been reunited with their colleagues. Such a transfer would mean that all the hostages would be held under the same status, probably in Tehran, now that the Iranian government has taken responsibility for the hostages.

The militants had agreed last November to hand over custody of their captives, but the process was delayed because of what Iranian authorities termed problems of logistics and security.

The Swiss diplomat, Flavio Meroni, said he went to the Foreign Ministry Sunday morning and was told that the three U.S. envoys were moved to their new quarters late Saturday night. The Swiss Embassy, which looks after U.S. interests in Iran, was allowed to send representatives to visit the three American

Iranian plane crashes

BEIRUT, Jan. 4 (AP) — A U.S.-made Iranian Phantom fighter-bomber was "involved in an accident" and crashed near the Arabian Gulf Saturday, Iran's state Radio of Tehran reported.

There was no indication whether the crash in the world's most vital oil shipping lane was connected with the presence of U.S. and Western warships in the area or with the Iran-Iraq war on the Gulf's northern flank. The Tehran broadcast said the warplane was on an undefined mission over the Arabian Gulf when it crashed into the sea. It did not say exactly where the plane went down but the report was datelined from the southernmost Iranian port of Bandar Abbas and indicated the mishap occurred off the harbor near the Hormuz Straits.

Good Morning

By Jihad Khazem

A few days ago, Dr. Muhammad Abdo Yamani, Saudi Arabia's minister of information, had to deny a news story published by both the Cairo daily, *Al-Ahram* and the Israeli *Ma'ariv*. The story was that Saudi Arabia was maintaining "indirect contacts" with Israel.

The minister's strong and swift denial was not directed at public opinion in the Arab world. For no one there would give the least credence to such a threadbare invention. It was directed at "those concerned" in certain capitals, and its message to them was loud and clear: Saudi Arabia's stand is steadfast, and that no amount of misinformation and innuendo will make any difference to it.

Arab readers more than most have cause to complain from such an irresponsible form of journalism. But it might comfort them to know that foreign news media are as indiscriminate in their willful mistreatment of facts — these are often so twisted in the service of what newspapermen (at least some of them) call "good copy" that the truth is completely lost.

I give a recent, and relatively minor example. It concerns the venerable Archbishop of Canterbury, who went to New York on a visit. A member of the gutter press was among those receiving him at the airport. His question to the goodly cleric was: "What does your grace think of New York's nightclubs?" The Archbishop, of course, did not know what to say, and finally settled for replying with the innocent counter-question: "Are there night clubs in New York?" Meaning of course that it wasn't for him to know of such things. But the newspaper led its story of his arrival the next day with the headline, "Archbishop's First Question: Are There Night Clubs in New York?"

Translated from *Ashraf Al-Awsat*

Cuba mobilizes militias

HAVANA, Jan. 4 (AFP) — President Fidel Castro has started to mobilize "territorial militias" in case of possible United States pressure against Cuba in the event of Soviet intervention in Poland, according to observers here.

President Fidel Castro, in a recent speech to the national assembly, said that "the way the masses have backed the idea of militias has been extraordinary."

President Castro had already noted that during the recent U.S. presidential election, Ronald Reagan several times threatened "possible naval blockade against Cuba in the event of any new Soviet-made crisis like Afghanistan. There has been a U.S. trade boycott, including medical drugs" of the island for the past 18 years and Cuba is sensitive to any idea that this could be increased.

Cuba is particularly vulnerable because it imports from the Soviet Union all its oil, amounting to about 10 million tons per year, and all its wheat.

For this reason if the U.S. navy blockaded all Cuba's ports, then the economy of the "pearl of the Caribbean" would quickly be paralyzed.

President Castro's recent speeches have all stressed this aspect by whipping up the patriotism of a people who in April, 1961 threw back the C.I.A.-backed "Bay of Pigs" invasion by 4,000 anti-Castro mercenaries.

Leftist protesters burn Mrs. Gandhi's effigy

CALCUTTA, Jan. 4 (R) — About 100 left-wing extremists burned an effigy of Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi in Calcutta Sunday in protest at her government's new national security law allowing preventive detention without trial for up to 12 months.

The Press Trust of India (PTI) said police dispersed the demonstrators peacefully when their procession approached a hall where Mrs. Gandhi was addressing businessmen.

Mrs. Gandhi told the meeting that despite budgetary and fiscal concessions the private sector had not risen to meet expectations.

She said the prospect of a further oil price rise was disturbing, but with the advantage of past experience India would be able to make adjustments and manage the situation.

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